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BOARD OF STATE HISTORY
April 27, 2006
MINUTES

TIME: 1:00

PLACE: Rio Grande Depot Boardroom

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Homer, Chair
Max Smith
Ron Coleman
Martha Bradley
Chere Romney
Michael Winder
Claudia Berry
Scott Christensen
John Barton
Paul Anderson

EXCUSED:

Pam Miller, Vice Chair

DIVISION STAFF:

Phil Notarianni
Barbara Murphy
Wilson Martin
Cory Jensen
Kevin Jones
Linda Thatcher
Kristen Jensen
Lynette Lloyd
Matt Seddon
Arie LeeFlang
Kent Powell

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bea Lufkin, L P Consultant
Samuel Comollo, Rose Inc. LLC

OTHER STAFF:

Thom Roberts, Attorney General's Office

WELCOME

Michael Homer welcomed the Board and asked Phil to introduce the two new staff members, Matt Seddon, Cultural Resource Coordinator (replacing Jim Dykman) and Arie LeeFlang who works on the GIS database with Kristen Jensen. Dr. Seddon is very well known in cultural resource management. Arie LeeFlang has worked with Antiquities in other capacities in the past and has already become an important asset to the team. The division is very happy to have both of them as part of the staff.

Phil took the opportunity to acknowledge Michael Homer's book in the *Kingdom of the West* series, *On The Way to Somewhere Else: European Sojourners in the Mormon West 1834-1930*. Phil congratulated him on his excellent work.

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 26, 2006 MEETING

Scott Christensen made the motion to approve the January 26, minutes. Claudia Berry seconded the motion. Unanimous approval was given to accept the minutes.

NATIONAL REGISTER NOMINATIONS

Please refer to the following criteria:

- A) Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B) Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C) Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.

Franklin Motor Car Company – SLC presented by Cory Jensen. Cory introduced Bee Lufkin, from L P consultants.

The Franklin Motor Car Company Building, built in 1915, is significant under Criterion C for its association with the historical and architectural development of Salt Lake City in the South Temple Street area. It is a rectangular, brick masonry commercial building with a two-story section on the front and a single story at the rear. It was built as a garage, salesroom, and residence for the proprietors of the Franklin Motor Car Company. The Franklin Motor Car Company Building is an illustration of an early twentieth century automobile dealer in Salt Lake City in the years just before the Lincoln Highway connected Salt Lake City with both coasts by automobile. The building is an example of a combined residential/commercial structure that has historically provided living space on the second floor over the retail shop area. The two-story front section was renovated in the Streamlined Moderne style in 1950 and retains its integrity from that era. It is one of two historic era automobile dealers in the South Temple Historic District and the only building in the district in the Streamlined Moderne style. The Franklin building retains its historic integrity and is a contributing resource in Salt Lake City. The building is undergoing exterior rehabilitation and interior conversion of space for a restaurant as a federal rehabilitation tax credit project.

Because Board members seemed to want more historic information, Michael Homer suggested that the nomination be tabled. Claudia Berry made a motion to table the nomination and Chere Romney seconded the motion. Max Smith suggested that if there were only one other photo available, could that change the evidence already before the Board. After the Board discussed and reviewed the photos further, Claudia Berry withdrew the motion to table the nomination.

Max Smith made a motion that the Board approve the Franklin Motor Car Company presented for listing to the National Register of Historic Places. The motion was seconded by Martha Bradley and passed with a majority vote.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT POLICY

As part of the division planning process, an internal focus team and external focus team were developed to look at certain issues of concern as identified by a division-wide survey about one year ago. One of the issues was to ensure that employees receive proper development and training. This has since become a DCC initiative as well. Part of the recommendation of the internal team was to look at the division training and travel policy approved in 1993. The team drafted an updated policy allowing the division to articulate what is involved in professional development and to create criteria not only for training and development, but to allow the division to have a training budget and a formal process for coordinators to provide training for staff. It also allows a process for the annual MacKinnon Award. The selection has been done very informally in the last few years and now the process will be more formalized in this policy. The policy was sent to the Board for their review and approval prior to this meeting we are requesting that the Board approve the Professional Development Policy. Phil expressed his desire it to give the staff and managers the tools they need to maintain and recruit the best possible employees.

The internal focus team also made recommendations for the Director. One of the provisions that Phil will be recommending to DCC will be to broaden their policy on educational assistance. The statewide policy does not have a provision that limits the type of degrees that an employee can be working toward in order to receive financial assistance. The Department's policy states that educational assistance can only be used for a bachelor's and master's degree. It excludes anyone from receiving educational assistance for a Ph.D.

Ron Coleman made the motion to approve the Professional Development Policy and Michael Winder seconded the motion. The motion passed with unanimous vote.

CHANGE OF BOARD MEETING DATE

Michael Homer made the suggestion to change the next Board meeting date from July 27 to Thursday, July 20 at 1:00 p.m., in the Rio Grande Boardroom. The Board also agreed that the September 14 meeting would be a retreat meeting in connection with the Annual Meeting. The retreat will begin with lunch and adjourn at 3:00. Both meetings will be held at the Rio Grande Depot.

STRATEGIC PLAN

Wilson Martin reported on the status of the strategic plan. The Board will review the draft plan and make any suggestions. The staff will review the plan. It will then be distributed for public comment. The final draft version will be presented to the Board for their final review and ratification. The plan will be sent to the National Park Service for final ratification by October 1, 2006.

QUARTERLY REPORT

Phil summarized the quarterly report for the Board. Some of the nominations presented and approved by the Board for the National Register were listed during the last quarter: the Lauritz H. & Emma W. Smith House, Draper; the Joseph and Algie Ford House, Centerville; the Thomas J. and Amanda N. Smith House, Kaysville; and the Glen M. and Roxie Walbeck House, Draper. The division granted \$95,965 to 28 CLGs (certified local governments); and the preservation office visited West Valley, Mt. Pleasant, Helper, Park City, Utah State University, and Salt Lake City including consultation on the Moss Courthouse project. The winter 2006 and spring 2006 issues of the *Utah Historical Quarterly* were distributed to members. Today 590 new members have been added to the Utah State Historical Society as a result of a mailing to members of KUED. Our historical society membership is at 3200, the highest number on record. Recent history fairs have been held throughout the state and the final state History Fair was held last week. Some of the student projects are on display in the hallway of the Rio Grande Depot. Kent Powell and Bonnie Rogers worked very hard with Mike Johnson at Utah State University to make this a great success. The division provided a \$300 prize by the Interagency Task Force on a public lands project and \$750 for the overall best history fair project. The division is very committed to the history fair. One of the projects was on Helen Papanikolas. The Antiquities Section is preparing for Prehistory Week from May 6 –13. Prehistory Day will be held on Saturday, May 6. We encourage the Board to attend. There are events throughout the state and are listed on our website. Ron Rood is teaching Utah archaeological classes and they fill up as soon as they are announced. A tour was conducted of the ten archaeological sites in San Juan County and the division's legislative fiscal analyst, Andrea Wilko attended that tour. Kevin is involved in the Range Creek management plan due in May of 2006. The following have been processed or added to the collection: Eastman Hatch materials, the Mary Meigs Atwater materials, Stephen Holbrook materials, the advocacy for people with development disabilities oral history project, the Kearns Mansion research project and the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers Ensign Camp records. A Women's History Lecture Series (brown bag) was held in March. On Thursday April 6, Dr. Frederick Buchanan presented "Scots in Utah."

The external team was looking for ways that the division could measure success with patrons. New signage will be done to complete the renovation and the issue came up with our name. Who are we? The external team discussed shortening our name. Through the CPM (certified public management) process the team decided on a solution, which was State History. Phil briefed the department on this shortened name and Richard Bradford agreed with the decision stating that the Utah Travel Council is designated as the Utah Travel Council, but that did not really convey whom they are and they are now designated as the Office of Tourism. The Arts Council is officially designated the Utah Division of Arts and Museums because the Office of Museum Services is now part of the Arts program. Phil asked for Board input on the name State History. After a brief discussion the Board agreed, in general, that State History was a good overall name for the division.

The rules that will be reviewed for the five-year review process will be on the agenda for the next Board meeting.

Phil publicly thanked the staff for doing an excellent and professional job.

DIVISION UPDATE

The Executive Director, Yvette Diaz left to return to private practice in March. Richard Bradford was appointed Acting Director and Allyson Isom continues as the associate director. A team from the Governor's office will help in selecting a new executive director. The Department, with Ally Isom's direction, has given the division support during the last Legislative session. The division requested pass-through grants and the Governor added \$200,000 ongoing money for grants in his budget. It did not get approved, however the division received \$50,000 ongoing for pass-through grants and \$50,000 one-time for grants and \$50,000 for identifying and processing human remains. Also the division received \$20,000 pass-through for a documentary on Italians in Utah. We continue to receive \$21,000 for the History Fair and \$75,000 allocated for the Save American Treasures involving stabilization of ten archaeological sites in San Juan County. House Bill 139 did pass and moved permitting from the Division to the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office under the Governor's Office. In Senate Bill 260, the State Historic Preservation Officer is included in the Capitol Preservation Board. House Bill 311 enabled SITLA to retain ownership of cultural resources on lands that they sell. The division has a second draft of the Legislative Audit. Basically it substantiates that we have done a good job in managing cultural resources. This audit will be published once it is finalized.

The division's total budget is \$3,279,600.

REPORT FROM AD HOC COMMITTEE

Kristen Jensen reported on the Ad Hoc Committee. In August of 2005 a series of meetings were held to define a web based GIS application to administer the archaeological data. Half of the interface has been developed and Kristen showed the Board what the interface would look like on the web. Kevin stated that all the archaeological data sites and projects that have been done would be on the database. Whenever an agency or consultant needs to check records

to see what has been done in their area or they want to start a new project, they will log onto this website. This will be a secure website that is password protected because the information contained on the website is protected under state and federal law. This will allow users who have no experience in GIS to come and use our GIS system. Included in the system will be historic preservation information and it will be accessible to all the public. The Antiquities Section is hopeful the system will be up and running within a year. About eighty percent of state data that was historically on paper maps and files have been digitized.

ANNUAL MEETING

Michael Homer thanked Kent Powell and Lynette Lloyd for their efforts in putting the Annual Meeting together. Michael had the Board look at the draft of the itinerary. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 14 –16. The general theme is the 1850's and 1950's. A reception will be held at the Salt Lake City Public Library, Thursday evening, September 14. David Bigler will give the Utah History Address that evening and will focus on the 1850's and the events leading to the Utah War of 1857-58. Sessions and panels will be presented on the 15th followed by an evening event at the Depot celebrating the Salt Lake Fifties. Susan Rough has accepted our proposal to speak at the Friday event on the icons of the 1950's. Laura Durham from the Arts Council, Linda Thatcher and Phil will coordinate an Art & Design 50's exhibit. Phil and Linda will gather artifacts. Saturday there will be a tour of Utah War Historic Sites sponsored by Oregon California Trail Association (OCTA) and the Utah War Sesquicentennial Committee.

Michael encouraged the Board to make suggestions and attend the planning meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for May 2 at 2:00 in the Rio Grande Depot boardroom. The deadline for award nomination is April 30, 2006. The Dale Morgan award for the best scholarly article of the year is now \$1,000 and is selected by the Board of Editors for the *Utah Historical Quarterly*. What has been called the Morris Rosenblatt award for the best general interest article for the year appearing in the *Utah Historical Quarterly*, will be called the Morris Rosenblatt and Charles Redd Center award because the Charles Redd Center has given \$200 additional dollars totally that award to \$300. The Nick Yengich award for an article chosen from the *Utah Historical Quarterly* remains at \$100. The best article other than one appearing in the *Utah Historical Quarterly* has been \$100 and is increasing to \$200. The Francis Armstrong Best Book award is going from \$500 to \$1000. The Smith Pettit Foundation has offered to fund an award for the best documentary publication in Utah History. Kent Powell has written procedures to add this award to the Award Policy. The award nomination will be presented to the Board for approval at the July 20 meeting. Dan Johnson of Chevron has offered to fund the Historical Society in the amount of \$2,500 to help foster the study of Wallace Stegner. The Wallace Stegner groups will be putting on conferences in 2009 and the division is considering sessions at our Annual Meeting. Michael listed the members of both award committees. These committees will be ready to present their nominations at the Board meeting in July.

Best Article Committee:

Michael Winder, chair (Linda Thatcher will assist with article selection)

Chere Romney

Pam Miller

Ron Coleman

Linda Thatcher

John Sillito

Best Book Committee:

Michael Homer, chair

Chere Romney

Claudia Berry

Phil Notarianni

Craig Fuller

Kent Powell

Curt Bench

Greg Thompson

John Barton

Tony Weller

Michael Homer has received three proposed nominations for fellows. Between now and the next meeting Michael will send to the Board the nominations. Please feel free to send your nominations to Michael, Phil or Lynette. Please have a vitae and a description of why you believe that individual merits fellow status. Honorary life member may also be nominated. Fellow: Citation reads "for outstanding research and writing." Fellows must have a long and

distinguished career in scholarly research and writing. Honorary Life Member: Citation reads "for distinguished service to the State and the Society." Criteria include distinguished service and leadership over a long period of time.

Paper proposals are due April 30.

Wilson informed the Board that the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation would hold their meetings in Salt Lake City May 17 – 19. Some of those meetings will be held in the Rio Grande Depot and staff will be making presentations at their sessions.

Thom Roberts stated that laws would go into affect May 8. One law deals with the open meetings act. In order for the Board to take action on an item there must be a published agenda prior to the meeting. The Attorney General's Office is putting together a Board member training. If you are interested in attending, please contact Thom Roberts at the Attorney General's Office.

Ron Coleman stated that at the end of October 2006 the African American History and Genealogical Society is going to have their meeting in Salt Lake City. They would like to tour some of the historical sites. Phil suggested that they should come here. Ron will get further information to Phil and Michael.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

Thursday, July 20, 2006 at 1:00 pm
Rio Grande Depot

The motion to adjourn was made by Paul Anderson. Claudia Berry seconded the motion and it passed with unanimous vote.

ADJOURN: 2:30 pm